Former nazim injured in blast outside his office

By Our Correspondent

BANNU: Former nazim of Domel tehsil Fida Mohammad Khan Wazir was injured in a bomb blast outside his office here on Tuesday.

Spokesman for Bannu police Asif Hassan confirmed the incident, saying an improvised explosive device went off at the gate of the former nazim's office in the Domel Bazaar area.

He said a large police contingent cordoned off the area and initiated an investigation. Police said Wazir, who was present in his vehicle, suffered minor injuries in the blast.

They said the explosion damaged the vehicle and the gate.

Wazir has played a leading role in movements against terrorism and remained at the forefront in forming tribal lashkars for maintaining peace in the area. A gathering of tribal elders was expected to be held at his office on Tuesday. Tribal elders took to the streets and announced a street protest.

Meanwhile, Bannu region DIG Sajjad Khan declared that those involved in the bomb blast would be brought to justice at the earliest.

He said the police were thoroughly investigating the incident after strengthening security in the area to deal with any untoward situation.

The DIG ordered police to carry out search operations in Domel and adjoining areas.

The police put security in the city on high alert and said security checks at the city's entry and exit points had been strengthened.

The DIG said after repeated failures in attacks on police and security forces, terrorists were targeting innocent civilians as easy targets.

He said police and security agencies were taking all possible measures to protect public lives and property. The incident came a day after a man and his son, from the Hathikhel tribe, were abducted by suspected terrorists in Bannu.

Police said Ahya Jan and his son were travelling in a car with their family to visit relatives in the area when unidentified armed men intercepted them near Jhandokhel in Domel, made them disembark from the vehicle and took them to an unidentified location.

On Sunday, a police constable was martyred when armed assailants shot him in Bannu's Kashfikhel area.

The same day, three traffic police personnel were martyred by gunmen in Serai Naurang area of Lakki Marwat district.

Policeman kidnapped in Bannu

BANNU: Terrorists allegedly kidnapped a policeman in Domel tehsil of Bannu district.

According to police sources, constable Naveed Akram, a resident of Amalkhel area, was abducted in the evening from a playground in his native village.

District police officer Yasir Afridi confirmed that the elements involved in the kidnapping were believed to be terrorists, who forcibly took the constable to an undisclosed location.

He further said that the abducted policeman had previously received threats, warning him to quit his job; however, he continued performing his duties.

Mr Afridi said that efforts were underway to ensure the safe recovery of the kidnapped police official.

Sources said that local elders were engaged in negotiations with the militants for the safe release of the policeman. — Correspondent

Tribunal rejects Taimur Jhagra's plea against election of rival candidate

Rules the petition not maintainable on technical grounds

Bureau Report

PESHAWAR: An election tribunal here on Tuesday rejected a much publicised petition of former provincial minister and leader of Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf (PTI) Taimur Jhagra, who had challenged declaration of his rival candidate of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz Jalal Khan as an MPA in the Feb 2024 general elections.

The tribunal presided over by retired Justice Lal Jan Khattak rejected his plea on technical grounds, observing that the petition was having certain defects and was thus not maintainable in the light of the provisions of Elections Act, 2017.

The tribunal pronounced a short order whereas the detailed order will be released later.

Mr Jhagra had challenged the alleged tampering of election documents in his constituency, PK-79 Peshawar, by relevant election officers and declaration of his rival Jalal Khan as returned candidate.

The petitioner contended that after the closure of polling, polled votes were counted and duly-signed Form-45 (election results in a polling station) was issued to polling agents of the petitioner and other candidates.

He said that the Form-45 vote counts clearly laid down the petitioner to have received 25,114 votes with the runner-up candidate Attaul Haq of Jamiat Ulema-i-Islam-Fazl having secured 5,188 votes and Jalal Khan (the present MPA) standing fifth on the list securing 1,619 votes.

He stated that the petitioner had compiled his result in tabular form on the basis of the Form-45, received from presiding officers by his polling agents. He claimed that in the morning, a bogus and manufactured Form-47 was issued declaring that Jalal Khan, who was at fifth number, won the polls by getting 16,031 votes whereas his (petitioner) votes were mentioned as 11,495.

He said that the manipulated Form-47 was officially not handed over to him and he came to know about it from the website of Election Commission of Pakistan.

Barrister Yaseen Raza Khan appeared for respondent Jalal Khan and argued that the petition was not maintainable as it had many defects. He contended that the petition had to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Elections Act, 2017, and should carry correct details of the petitioner.

He said that if a single requirement, mentioned in sections 142, 143 and 144 of Elections Act, were missing, the petition would be then not-maintainable. He stated that the petition had several glaring mistakes and in the affidavit submitted along with the petition the parentage of petitioner was mentioned wrong.

He requested the tribunal to reject the petition without conducting further proceedings in it.

"Election petitions are meant to be decided in a maximum of 180 days. Exactly 699 days after the February 8th 2024 election, retired Judge Lal Jan Khattak has done his job, and without proceeding to arguments, has declared my election petition for PK-79 non-maintainable on the basis of 'defects' in the petition," Mr Jhagra posted on his X (formerly Twitter) account after the order was pronounced.

He stated: "Ironically, the defects in the tampered official Forms-45, all with overwriting and tampering, enabling 1,608 votes to be greater than 25,000, are to count for nothing." He announced that the case would now proceed in Supreme Court

"This battle must continue. I decided some months ago that regardless of the outcome, the issue of the mandate must be highlighted again and again. And this is why the call for February 8 is important," he stated.

"There is no easy way. Democracy will be reclaimed in Pakistan. It will be reclaimed because we stand up for it," he said.

It merits a mention that over an application of Mr Jhagra, Anti-Corruption Establishment (ACE) had also initiated an inquiry into the matter and summoned several presiding officers of polling stations in PK-79 constituency.

However, Peshawar High Court had declared the act of ACE unconstitutional and illegal, ruling that it lacked lawful authority to assume jurisdiction over acts allegedly committed by election officials performing duties under supervision of ECP in general elections.

A FAMILY plays in the snow in Galiyat area of Abbottabad on Tuesday. — PPI

PTI social media activists held over posts against PML-N lawmaker

By Our Correspondent

MANSEHRA: The National Cyber Crime Investigation Agency (NCCIA) on Tuesday arrested two social media activists of Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf for allegedly indulging in character assassination on social media of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz MPA Syeda Sonia Hussain.

"I approached NCCIA seeking legal action against PTI workers who used social media to challenge my political standing and indulged in my character assassination," Ms Hussain told reporters.

She said NCCIA officials conducted raids in different localities of the district following her written complaint and arrested Majid Shah Tirmazi and Majid Shah.

Ms Hussain also shared screenshots of multiple social media posts, which she alleged were circulated against her and her family by PTI social media wing. "I cannot tolerate character assassination of myself and my family through such immoral posts. It is my legal right to seek action against those involved in it," she said.

The MPA added that no individual, male or female, could accept such personal attacks, and therefore she approached the relevant authority for legal redress.

Meanwhile, PTI MPA Akramullah Ghazi condemned the arrests of the party's activists. "I, being the district president of PTI, appeal to all party workers to remain peaceful. We know how to protect our workers," Mr Ghazi told reporters. He said NCCIA was a federal agency and demanded the immediate release of the party activists.

"We do not want to escalate the situation, but our workers should be released. We know how to respond politically," he said.

Mr Ghazi said a peaceful political environment prevailed in the district and accused PML-N of attempting to disturb it through what he termed "unwarranted actions."

"The PML-N should tolerate political criticism and avoid personal attacks. If politics turns personal, it will not benefit anyone," he said.

TOURISTS SAFETY: The district administration has directed the police, Rescue 1122 and civic agencies to ensure provision of all essential services to tourists visiting Shogran following recent snowfall in the high-altitude areas of Hazara division.

"The safety of visitors to Shogran is our top priority," Balakot assistant commissioner Hasrat Khan told reporters on Tuesday.

He inspected the Rescue 1122 station, and met officials to review preparedness for any emergency. Mr Khan directed rescue personnel to remain vigilant to effectively deal with any untoward situation.

He also met officials of the police and Kaghan Development Authority and instructed them to ensure that the artery connecting the Mansehra-Naran-Jalkhad Road with Shogran remained open and safe for traffic.

"Tourists will not be allowed to access Shogran without chained four-wheel-drive vehicles, as the road, already steep, becomes extremely dangerous due to ice formation," Mr Khan warned.

Meanwhile, Seerat Hazarvi, a local resident, urged the government to reopen the Shogran-Siri Paye track, if not for four-wheelers then at least for trekkers wishing to experience the snow-covered Koh-i-Makra range.

BRT service to be extended to Jamrud, Bara

PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister Mohammad Sohail Afridi has directed the relevant authorities to complete all preparatory work at the earliest for the extension of the Bus Rapid Transit service to Jamrud and Bara tehsils of Khyber district, his hometown.

Chairing a meeting on the proposed extension, the chief minister said that the expansion of the BRT network would significantly ease commuting between Peshawar and Khyber, while providing residents with a safe, reliable and affordable public transport facility, according to a statement issued here on Tuesday.

Mr Afridi added that the extension would also contribute to reducing traffic congestion and environmental pollution.

The meeting decided to construct a dedicated ramp at Karkhano station for the BRT service at an estimated cost of Rs500 million.

Officials briefed the meeting on infrastructure requirements, fleet expansion and operational arrangements for the new routes. They said 12 new 12-meter buses would be procured to initiate BRT operations for Jamrud and Bara.

They said eight bus stops would be established along a five kilometres stretch from Karkhano Market to Jamrud Bazaar, while 10 bus stops would be set up over a seven kilometres stretch from Pishtakhara to Bara Bazaar. — Bureau Report

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3	Procurement of Loading Arms at PSO Central Store KTB	PM-19376-NZ		
4	Supply of 02 Nos. Pump at PSO Central Store KTB	PM-19377-NZ		
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BID DOCUMENTS COLLECTION **(THROUGH SAP ARIBA)**	From 07.01.2026 till 22.01.2026	08:30 AM to 02:15 PM
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Any party interested to participate in any of the tender(s) may send its request for tender documents through SAP Ariba Portal in the following manner:

1. Scanned copy of the duly signed and stamped request on official letterhead of the bidder shall be uploaded on SAP Ariba Portal. In the subject request letter, please mention "Tender Documents Collection Request – Tender No._____".
2. Request shall be accompanied by scanned copies of the following:
   a. Valid NTN,
   b. GST/PST certificates,
   c. CNIC of owner/ authorized representative.
   d. Vendor should be an active tax payer.

Bid documents will be available and should be submitted through SAP Ariba Portal only.

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Please note that interested vendors not having Ariba Network ID are requested to register themselves on SAP Ariba Portal by clicking on the link below to access and participate in upcoming PSO tenders.

https://tenderpso.com.pk:8022/

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CORRIGENDUM

Subject: **BPR Program Development, Implementation and Supply (Tender # # BP-19320-FI)**

Reference to our Press advertisement published on 15.12.2025 for the subject tender. Please note that the tender documents collection, bid submission and opening dates have been revised as per table below:

PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
TENDER DOCUMENTS COLLECTION **(THROUGH SAP ARIBA)**	Up to 29.01.2026	08:30 AM to 04:30 PM
BID SUBMISSION **(THROUGH SAP ARIBA)**	30.01.2026	TILL 02:15 PM
BID OPENING **(THROUGH SAP ARIBA)**	30.01.2026	03:00 PM ONWARDS

All other terms & conditions shall remain same.

CORRIGENDUM

Subject: Pre-Qualification for Open Framework Agreement for Supply & Installation of Signage & Graphics Works at PSO Retail Outlets (5th Round)
&
Pre-Qualification for Open Framework Agreement for Supply, Installation and Rehabilitation of Monolith Towers at PSO Retail Outlets (5th Round)

Reference to our Press advertisement published on 24.12.2025 for the subject pre-qualiication. Please note that the documents collection, submission and opening dates have been revised as per table below:

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SUBMISSION **(THROUGH SAP ARIBA)**	16.01.2026	TILL 02:15 PM
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